Dewan's reply.—The individual works suggested are works not likely to be remunerative. They will be included in the list of Famine Relief Works. The D. P. W. are doing the needful in respect of *Existing* tanks.

Subject No. 207.

Sandal trees on occupied lands.

Summary of discussion.—Landholders have been made responsible for the proper care and protection of sandal trees growing on their lands. This imposes a heavy obligation on the raiyats. Sandal trees do not grow well in the Maidan Taluks and consequently Government is not much benefited thereby. All such trees standing on khate lands may, therefore, be ordered to be made over to the raiyats concerned on payment by them of the value thereof.

Dewan's reply.—No. (See Subject No. 158 *supra.*)

Subject No. 208.

Grant of date tree lands fit for garden cultivation.

Summary of discussion.—Dry or kharab lands situated below tanks and which can be turned into valuable cocoanut and supari gardens by the help of tank water, should not be reserved as date groves. The Government will be better benefited by the grant of such lands for Bagayat cultivation. For instance, the reservation of Survey No. 174 measuring 130 acres and 38 guntas, situated below the Gunderi Tank, is a great loss to Government. If this land is granted for Bagayat cultivation, Government will get Rs. 1,000 as assessment in addition to Rs. 1,200 as future Sayer Revenue.

Dewan's reply.—No general rule can be laid down. If not required for Government, the land will be given. Apply to Deputy Commissioner in individual cases, and they will be disposed of on their merits. (See also Subject No. 79 *supra.*)

Subject No. 209.

Summary of discussion.—Arecanut gardens below several tanks are not in good condition, and consequently both Government and the holders of such gardens are great losers. The reasons are that in some instances the tanks do not fill properly, while in others, the tank bunds are not strong. The following are instances in point:—

(a) Feeder to Holalkere Tank.

(*a*). Herekere Tank at Holalkere has not filled for the last three years. It is desired that the halla near Adnur should be diverted into this tank.

(b) Strengthening Honnekere.

(*b*). The catchment of Honnekere Tank at Holalkere is good, but the bund is weak and out of order. This tank is useful to men and cattle, and is also intended for the irrigation of the arecanut gardens under it. The tank bund should be ordered to be repaired.

(c) Feeder to Nulenur Tank.

(*c*). The tank at Nulenur in its present state is not of much use. The Herehalla close by should be